

Goals and Objectives for the Montana Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting (MIECHV) Program
(May or may not be subject to change)

The goals of the Montana MIECHV program are to strengthen and improve the programs and activities carried out under Title V; improve coordination of services for at-risk communities; and identify and provide comprehensive services to improve outcomes for families who reside in at-risk communities. The goals of the programs will be met through the objectives, directly related to the federally mandated benchmark areas (improvement in maternal and newborn health; reduction in child injuries and maltreatment; improvement in school readiness and achievement; reduction in domestic violence; improvement in family economic self-sufficiency; and improvement in coordination and referral systems) and the implementation of an evidence-based home visiting model.

Goals:	Strengthen and improve the programs and activities carried out under Title V	Improve coordination of services for at risk communities	Identify and provide comprehensive services to improve outcomes for families who reside in at risk communities
Objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish quantifiable, measurable baseline data 2. Identify and implement a well-functioning data management system 3. Establish and monitor data collection and reporting guidelines 4. Conduct ongoing continuous quality improvement activities 5. Conduct process and outcome evaluation 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Establish MOUs or other formal agreements with other social service agencies in the community 2. Establish clear points of contact between the home visiting provider and all collaborating agencies 3. Establish and maintain a county coalition of service providing organizations 4. Connect individuals and families with needed services 5. Follow up on referrals to ensure that services were provided 6. Connect participants to possible health insurance resources 7. Report maltreatment of children 8. Connect participants to possible economic, employment, and educational assistance programs 9. Refer participants to relevant domestic violence services 10. Provide referrals to parenting support services as needed 11. Provide referrals to local and state resources as needed 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increase the number of pregnant women who receive prenatal care in the first trimester 2. Decrease parental use of alcohol, tobacco, or illicit drugs 3. Increase the number of women who receive preconception care 4. Raise awareness of optimal birth intervals 5. Screen participants for maternal depressive symptoms 6. Promote breastfeeding 7. Follow standards for well-child visits 8. Reduce emergency department visits for participants 9. Provide information on prevention of child injuries 10. Assess family members for domestic violence; develop safety plan if necessary 11. Improve parent support for children's learning and development 12. Increase parent knowledge of child development and of their child's developmental progress 13. Conduct standardized child development and school readiness assessment

